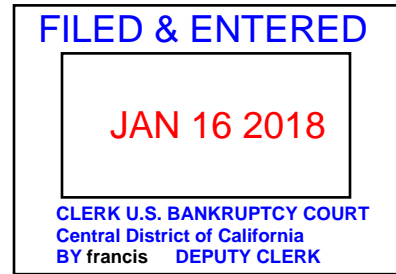


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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
LOS ANGELES DIVISION**

In re:  
  
LAYFIELD & BARRETT, APC,  
  
Debtor.

Case No.: 2:17-bk-19548-NB

Chapter 11

**ORDER APPROVING MOTION OF THE  
CHAPTER 11 TRUSTEE AUTHORIZING  
AND APPROVING PROCEDURES FOR  
RESOLVING ESTATE FEE AND COST  
CLAIMS**

Date: January 11, 2018  
Time: 3:00 p.m.  
Place: United States Bankruptcy Court  
Edward R. Roybal Federal Building  
255 E. Temple Street, Crtrm. 1545  
Los Angeles, California 90012  
Judge: Hon. Neil W. Bason

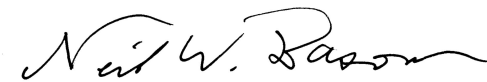
The Court, having considered the *Motion of The Chapter 11 Trustee for Order Authorizing and Approving Procedures for Resolving Estate Fee and Cost Claims* [Docket No. 183] (the "Motion"), filed by Richard M. Pachulski, the duly appointed chapter 11 trustee (the "Trustee") in the above-captioned bankruptcy case of Layfield & Barrett, APC (the "Debtor" or "L&B"), pursuant to which the Trustee sought entry of an order authorizing and approving an omnibus procedure for asserting, settling, resolving and collecting claims held by the Debtor's bankruptcy estate for payment of attorneys' fees (including, without limitation, *quantum merit* claims and referral fees) and reimbursement of costs, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1           1.       The Motion is GRANTED, except as to the Barrett Claims, which shall be pursued  
2 and resolved in the Advocate Capital Inc. v. Maximum Legal (California) LLP, 2:17-ap-01503-NB  
3 adversary proceeding. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is the Court's tentative ruling incorporating it  
4 as the Court's final ruling.

5           2.       The Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or  
6 relating to this Order.

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Neil W. Bason  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

**EXHIBIT A**

**United States Bankruptcy Court  
Central District of California  
Los Angeles  
Judge Neil Bason, Presiding  
Courtroom 1545 Calendar**

**Thursday, January 11, 2018**

**Hearing Room 1545**

3:00 PM

**2:17-19548 Layfield & Barrett, APC and Evanston Insurance Company**

**Chapter 11**

**#2.00** Hrg re: Motion Of The Chapter 11 Trustee For Order  
Authorizing And Approving Procedures For Resolving  
Estate Fee And Cost Claims

Docket 183

**Tentative Ruling:**

Grant as set forth below. Appearances are not required.

*Proposed order:* Movant is directed to serve and lodge a proposed order via LOU within 7 days after the hearing date, and attach a copy of this tentative ruling, thereby incorporating it as this court's final ruling.

*Key documents reviewed (in addition to motion papers):* Joseph Barrett's Limited Objection (dkt. 189); Movant's reply (dkt. 190).

*Reasons:* The motion is granted and the omnibus procedures specified in the motion are approved, except as to the Barrett Claims, which shall be pursued and resolved in the Advocate Capital, Inc, v. Maximum Legal (California) LLP, 2:17-ap-01503-NB adversary proceeding.

If appearances are not required at the start of this tentative ruling but you wish to dispute the tentative ruling, or for further explanation of "appearances required/are not required," please see Judge Bason's Procedures (posted at [www.cacb.uscourts.gov](http://www.cacb.uscourts.gov)) then search for "tentative rulings." If appearances are required, and you fail to appear without adequately resolving this matter by consent, then you may waive your right to be heard on matters that are appropriate for disposition at this hearing.

**Party Information**

**Debtor(s):**

Layfield & Barrett, APC

Pro Se

**Trustee(s):**

Richard Pachulski (TR)

Represented By

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Central District of California  
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